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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Arguments

1. This Advisory Action is in response to the Amendment After-Final filed on 06/19/2008. Claims 1-7, 9-11 and 13-20 are currently pending in the application.

2. In the remarks, the Applicant argues that the combination of Sanchez Ferreras et al., (U.S. 20050118998 A1), Aerrabotu et al., (U.S. 20040190522 A1) and Takubo et al., (US 6,597,909) fails to teach:

[“a storage element coupled to said associator, said storage element configured to store values representative of associations formed by said associator, the values together forming a roaming network table indicating the roaming relationships, the values forming entries, the mobile nodes identified in terms of their respective home network portions and individual ones of the entries given less weight than other entries, without being deleted, when aged beyond a selected age, the roaming network table accessible to identify the roaming relationships identified therein, usable subsequently to determine roaming capabilities of selected coverage areas of selected network portions” (see claim 1) and “forming a roaming network table indicating the roaming relationships, the roaming network table comprised of entries in which the mobile nodes are identified in terms of their respective home network portions of which individual ones of the entries are, without being deleted, given less weight than other entries, when aged beyond a selected age, the roaming network table accessible to identify the roaming relationships identified therein..”], (see claim 13).

The Examiner disagrees with such an assertion. As clearly shown in the Final Office Action of 03/19/2008, the combination of Sanchez Ferreras et al., Aerrabotu et al., and Takubo et al., teaches the above claimed limitations. Therefore the Examiner maintains the finality of the Office action.

3. The Applicant also traversed the finality of the Office Action of 03/19/2008. The Examiner maintains the finality of the Office Action dated on 03/19/2008; because of the claimed amendments made on 06/08/2007. Thus, the final office action of 08/09/2007 was withdrawn and replaced with the final office action of 03/19/2008, which includes Takubo et al., (US 6,597,909).

Any amendments to specifically describe Applicant's invention would require further search and re-consideration.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Kwasi Karikari whose telephone number is 571-272-8566. The examiner can normally be reached on M-T (9am - 7pm).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Charles Appiah can be reached on 571-272-7904. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8566. Information regarding the status of an application may be obtained from the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. Status information for published applications may be obtained from either Private PAIR or Public PAIR. Status

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